

Math 190A, Fall 2022

Homework 3

Due: October 28, 2022 11:59PM via Gradescope

(late submissions allowed up until October 29, 2022 11:59PM with -25% penalty)

Solutions must be **clearly** presented. Incoherent or unclear solutions will lose points.

- (1) Let (X, d_X) and (Y, d_Y) be metric spaces and let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function such that

$$d_Y(f(a), f(b)) = d_X(a, b)$$

for all $a, b \in X$. Prove that f is an embedding.

- (2) Let X be a topological space and define $\Delta_X \subseteq X \times X$ by

$$\Delta_X = \{(x, x) \mid x \in X\}.$$

Prove that X is Hausdorff if and only if Δ_X is closed.

- (3) Let I be an index set and X_i a topological space for each $i \in I$. Let $x(1), x(2), \dots$ be a sequence of elements in $\prod_{i \in I} X_i$. Given $x \in \prod_{i \in I} X_i$, prove that $x(1), x(2), \dots$ converges to x if and only if for all $j \in I$, the sequence $x(1)_j, x(2)_j, \dots$ converges to x_j .

- (4) Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a surjective continuous function and assume that for all open sets $U \subseteq X$, $f(U)$ is also open. Define an equivalence relation \sim on X by $x \sim y$ if $f(x) = f(y)$. Prove that $X/\sim \cong Y$.

- (5) (a) Finish the missing detail in Example 2.4.7 from the notes: given the function $f: [0, 1] \rightarrow S^1$ defined by $f(x) = (\cos(2\pi x), \sin(2\pi x))$, prove that for $0 < a < b < 1$, the images $f((a, b))$ and $f([0, a) \cup (b, 1])$ are open in S^1 .
(b) Define an equivalence relation \sim on \mathbf{R} by $x \sim y$ if $x - y$ is an integer. Prove that $\mathbf{R}/\sim \cong S^1$.

OPTIONAL PROBLEMS (DON'T TURN IN)

- (6) Let d be a metric on a set X . Prove that $d: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}$ is continuous, where X has the metric topology.
- (7) Let d be a metric on a set X . Define $d': X \times X \rightarrow \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}$ by

$$d'(x, y) = \frac{d(x, y)}{1 + d(x, y)}.$$

Prove that d' is a metric and that d and d' give X the same metric topology.

[Hint: Define $f: \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ by $f(x) = x/(1+x)$. To show that d' satisfies the triangle inequality, first prove that f is increasing and that for all $a, b \in \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}$, we have $f(a) + f(b) \geq f(a+b)$.]

[Remark: d' is *bounded* since the distance between any two points is bounded from above by a constant (in this case 1). This exercise shows that every metrizable space always comes from a bounded metric. In particular, a metric being bounded has no interesting implication on the resulting topology!]